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CANTERBURY PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING PERMANENT REPAIRS TO RAIN DAMAGED SECTION OF WEST ROAD

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation announces a combined Town Officials/Public Informational Meeting will be held Wednesday, November 8, 2006 in Canterbury to discuss proposed work on an embankment slope and reconstructing a section of West Road that was damaged by heavy rains this past May.

This proposed work involves stabilizing the embankment slop that failed after the May 2006 rains, and reconstructing a portion of West Road where temporary signals are currently being used to maintain alternating one-way traffic in the affected area. Two options are being considered to correct the situation: a sheet pile retaining wall and a mechanically stabilized earth slope. Either option will impact traffic and may require West Road to be closed for up to eight weeks.

The purpose of this meeting is to present citizens and public officials with information regarding the proposed project, and to solicit input in order to ensure that project decisions meet public transportation needs, community goals, and protect and enhance the environment.

The November 8 meeting will be held at the Old Town Hall, 11 Center Road, in Canterbury, New Hampshire beginning at 7:00 pm.